## LEGISLATIVE SERVICES AGENCY OFFICE OF FISCAL AND MANAGEMENT ANALYSIS

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## FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

**LS 7888 DATE PREPARED:** Mar 22, 2001 **BILL NUMBER:** HB 1837 **BILL AMENDED:** Mar 22, 2001

**SUBJECT:** Transfer of Structured Settlement Payment Rights.

**FISCAL ANALYST:** Jim Landers **PHONE NUMBER:** 232-9869

FUNDS AFFECTED: GENERAL IMPACT: No Fiscal Impact

DEDICATED FEDERAL

<u>Summary of Legislation:</u> This bill adds provisions to the Indiana insurance law regulating transfers of payment rights under structured settlement agreements. The bill defines "structured settlement" as periodic payment of damages established by a settlement or court judgment in resolution of a tort claim for personal injury. It requires certain disclosures and court approval of an agreement to transfer structured settlement payment rights. The bill specifies express court findings required for approval of a transfer of structured settlement payment rights. It also makes conforming amendments.

Effective Date: July 1, 2001.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:** 

**Explanation of State Revenues:** 

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:** 

**Explanation of Local Revenues:** 

**State Agencies Affected:** Department of Insurance.

**Local Agencies Affected:** 

**Information Sources:** Liz Carroll, Deputy Director, Department of Insurance, (317) 232-2406.

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